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Extensions of country programmes

Note of the Administrator

Summary

The present note contains information on the extensions of the country programmes for Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Gabon, Mauritania, Senegal and Yemen. Requests for first one-year extensions of country programmes are approved by the Administrator and presented to the Executive Board for information. Requests for second one-year extensions, two-year extensions and exceptional extensions of country programmes are submitted to the Board for approval.

Elements of a decision

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the first one-year extensions of the country programmes for Burundi, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Gabon and Mauritania from 1 January to 31 December 2017.

The Executive Board may wish to approve the second one-year extensions of the country programmes for Burkina Faso and Yemen from 1 January to 31 December 2017, and the two-year extension of the country programme for Senegal from 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2018.

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Annex

Table 1. For information by the Executive Board: Extensions of country programmes

Country	Years covered by original CPD	Year(s) covered by extension already approved	Year(s) proposed for new extension	Extension		Reason and explanation		
				One-year	Two-year	Harmonization with national planning cycles	In-country political development	Other
Burundi	2014-2016	N/A	January – December 2017	Yes		The purpose of this extension is to facilitate the alignment of the new UNDAF with Government's priorities that would emerge following the elections.		
Cape Verde	2012-2016	N/A	January – December 2017	Yes		The purpose of this extension is to facilitate the alignment of the programme cycle with the National Economic Growth and Poverty Reduction Strategy (DECRP IV).		
Central African Republic	2012-2016	N/A	January – December 2017	Yes		The purpose of this extension is to facilitate the alignment with the formulation of an Interim Cooperation Framework for 2017.		
Gabon	2012-2016	N/A	January – December 2017	Yes		The purpose of this extension is to align the programme cycle with the national development strategy, Plan Stratégique Gabon Emergent.		
Mauritania	2012-2016	N/A	January – December 2017	Yes		The purpose of this extension is to harmonize to the new National Strategy of Accelerated Growth and Shared Prosperity as well as the country's first 15-year Strategic Plan (SCAPP).		

Table 2. For approval by the Executive Board: Extensions of country programmes

Country	Years covered by original CPD	Year(s) covered by extension already approved	Year(s) proposed for new extension	Extension		Reason and explanation		
				Second One-year	Two-year	Harmonization with national planning cycles	In-country political development	Other
Burkina Faso	2011-2015	2016	January – December 2017	Yes		The purpose of this extension is to align the programme cycle with the national priorities and the National Development Plan.		
Senegal	2012-2016	N/A	January 2017 – December 2018		Yes	The purpose of this extension is to align with the Government's Priority Action Plan, 2014-2018, within the context of the Emerging Senegal Plan (ESP), which aims to establish by 2035 a set of strategic projects with high content of added value and employment.		
Yemen	2012-2015	2016	January – December 2017	Yes			In 2015, the implementation of UNDP programmes was severely hampered due to the crisis in Yemen. The extension is requested, with the endorsement of the Government, as programmes continue to respond to the crisis until conditions are conducive to preparations for the next UNDAF/CPD rollout process.	

UNDAF – United Nations Development Assistance Framework
CPD – country programme document